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Alex:

Attached FYI is a one-pager Richard and I put together for Steve Parrish last week. It attempts to summarize in capsular form all the reasons for trying to keep CIAR going - or as a last resort, try to keep it going until we can organize a more orderly shutdown. (You should recognize some of the items as points you and I discussed a week ago last Friday.)

The document was given to Parrish at a breakfast meeting we had last Wed. Things are apparently on track to have CIAR discussed at the Thursday afternoon meeting this week (Parrish meeting with Bill Campbell). Other steps we've taken: provided further information on past and current CIAR projects to Parrish and Chuck Wall; discussion of CIAR and furnishing additional written info to our OSHA counsel; additional discussions to try to get Shook, Hardy to put in a good word for continuing CIAR.

We've also had additional discussions with Suber and I had a long chat with Mary Ward on Friday. Things are very bleak from the RJR perspective. Everyone seems to think that it's strictly a money issue. Further, if RJR is to reverse its position, the only hope is directly to and through Jim Johnston.

If you think of anything else we can do, please let me know ASAP.

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